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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed July 31, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 7 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.